

"NEXT PRESIDENT," STAMPER CALLS COL. ROOSEVELT

William Mitchell of Georgia Says Even Democrats There Want Him.

WAITS TO BE 'DRAFTED.'

Will Serve as a "Soldier" if American People Really Insist on It.

Again has the southerner arisen in the South and announced that if the people of these United States desire Theodore Roosevelt to accept the nomination for the Presidency, Mr. Roosevelt will oblige.

This time it is William Mitchell of Augusta, Ga., and, while he said that he made the announcement on his own behalf and not on that of Col. Roosevelt, the statement was uttered after he had had a quarter-hour talk with the former President today in the office of The Outlook.

Mr. Mitchell is general agent of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and claims the distinction of association with Senator Bourke of Oregon, in the attempt to stampede the convention for Mr. Roosevelt three years ago. The Contributing Editor had been very popular with his visitors, laughing and smiling through his interview with them, but when Mr. Mitchell's turn came for an audience Col. Roosevelt became very serious of mien and indubitably attentive to what the Georgian had to say.

"NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES."

After his talk with Col. Roosevelt, Mr. Mitchell turned to the squad of waiting newspaper men, who had already spoken with the Colonel, and said, with becoming gravity:

"Gentlemen, you were just talking to the next President of these United States! Col. Roosevelt will not attempt to get the nomination, but if the American people wish to draft him in the service of the country as a soldier he will accept. I believe such a need exists, and if Col. Roosevelt becomes President again he will make a record for posterity as the greatest President America ever had."

Speaking of political conditions in Georgia, Mr. Mitchell said:

"Four years ago in Georgia 36,000 white Democrats signed a call to nominate Theodore Roosevelt. That sentiment still stands. He's the only Republican who can carry the United States. The Georgia delegation will go for Taft, but heartily. The delegation will comprise half whites and half negroes, most of them office holders."

"But the handwriting is on the wall as far as Taft is concerned. He announced that he intended building up a strong white party in the South. But, on top of this, he sent a negro to Atlanta last Friday night, and this negro said that there should be more negro office holders. It may be the face of the wall, instead of the writing."

Among Mr. Roosevelt's visitors today was Police Capt. Bourke of the Bridge Precinct. He was attached to Headquarters at the time Roosevelt was Commissioner and has the distinction of having gone to the wedding of Theodore Roosevelt Jr. in green trousers, a truck coat and a red cravat.

CAPT. BOURKE HIS TYPE OF AMERICAN.

In spite of this, however, Mr. Roosevelt was very glad to see him, and with an exclamation, a smile and a wave of the hand, all three in one, he was presented to Col. Goethals, "The Castle Builder," and Mrs. Goethals, who happened to be in the lobby of vision. Furthermore Col. Roosevelt delivered a verbal bouquet to Capt. Bourke as follows: "He's the type of American citizen I stand by." In the admiring silence which ensued, Capt. Eddie made his way from the audience in number one. One of the things he said when asked what he thought of the man who was about to be interviewed was that he was a good man.

When he was asked for further words upon his visitation yesterday at Oyster Bay that "the fight for progressive principles depends upon no one man, he replied:

"I have made that statement dozens of times in the last eighteen months, particularly after Wilson's defeat. I recognize that as my own opinion."

Two young people, likely daughter of Mr. Roosevelt, One was for an opinion upon the anti-slush term resolution of Representative Shadwell of Texas and the other upon the statement of Gov. Aldrich of Nebraska that Mr. Roosevelt should come out and announce himself.

GOES FROM COURT TO BELLEVUE.

Justice Seabury, sitting in the Appellate Term of the Supreme Court, to-day committed a woman, who gave the name of Helen Turner, to Bellevue Hospital for five days for observation as to her sanity. She was apparently laboring under an hallucination, and during the argument of the case interrupted to know what disposition had been made of a case in which she said she was interested. She declared she had been unable to get a lawyer owing to some strange influences that were at work against her. She said she lived at No. 60 Pacific street, Brooklyn.

Mother and Baby Scalded.

A set of shelves over the stove in the home of Henry Vinnison, a grocer at No. 4 West One Hundred and Thirty-third street, fell while Mrs. Vinnison was cooking dinner to-day. It pinned the woman and her two-year-old baby to the floor and they were splashed with boiling water from a kettle, which had been overturned. They were taken to Marfan Hospital by Dr. Pratt, who said there was danger both might die from scalding.

WALL STREET.

COCK FIGHT STIRS UP RURAL SPORTS

Ten Dozen Pairs of Silk Socks Were Lost When Marius, the Epicurean, Bit the Dust.

NEW STREET CLEANERS STILL COSTING MONEY.

Can't Do the Work Like the Old Men and Further Appropriation Is Made.

Stock market trading was perceptibly stronger to-day. A quiet but persistent buying demand, during the first four hours elevated the list from 1 to 3 points. A number of inactive features, particularly Delaware & Hudson, were very conspicuous.

The opening was generally higher, and the list immediately passed an upward trend that continued unabated throughout the morning period. The greatest rising power was manifested in Reading, Union Pacific and Santa Fe, Reading, a steady demand rose to 100 1/4. Std. & W. very firm but under 82, while Union Pacific scored a gain of over 2 points by moving up to 100 1/2.

A sharp advance of 3 points in Delaware & Hudson constituted the feature of the middle dealings. From a closure of 170 1/2 yesterday, the stock opened at the same figure to-day, and, in a few transactions, jumped to 175 1/2.

Rather heavy profit taking in the final hour carried prices nearly 1 point under the best range, but substantial gains were in evidence at closing time.

Special to The Evening World.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Feb. 6.—This aesthetic community permitted itself to be thrilled last night by a denatured cock fight. It was held in Donohue's barn before a select little assembly of spectators who gave way to sweet little outbursts of enthusiasm as James Cole quantum, Marius, the Epicurean, furiously engaged Charley Banks' duck-legged Brahma, Henry James. Why, certainly, they were roosters! Otherwise, how could it have been a cock fight?

But, crook, too, there was nothing to do but to let the birds loose to satisfy the idea that some spare time be permitted in Montclair. The two birds fought for points, not for scars, and the duck-legged Brahma was the victor.

Marius, the Epicurean, was a red-hot favorite in the betting. The odds on him were a dozen pairs of silk hose to a knitted pair, which, as a matter of fact, he had never been acquainted with others in a conspiracy to defraud the Government out of duties through the undervaluation and illegal importation of lamb skins and other goods such as glove leather, brought here from Germany.

When arraigned before Commissioner Shields, Herberger was put under \$10,000 bail for examination on Feb. 13. He denied the allegations, furnished cash bail and was released.

Asking for a trial date, Assistant U. S. Attorney Frank P. Murphy said:

"The suit is for an initial value of \$8,000.

STRONG-ARM SQUAD'S WORK.

495 Arrests in Five Weeks and 385 Convictions Secured.

Lieutenant Charles Barker, in charge of the "Strong-arm Squad," to-day submitted a report of the work of the squad for the last five weeks to Commissioner Waldo. The twelve detectives made 495 arrests during that time, 385 of them for violation of the Sullivan law, which prohibits the carrying of weapons.

Of the number arrested the detainees obtained 385 convictions, there are seventy-three cases pending, thirty-nine prisoners were discharged, and of the latter, twenty-two were suspended in all 512 days imprisonment in fines and 2,610 days imprisonment imposed. During the same time the Detective Bureau arrested forty-three men under the Sullivan law.

WHITE DOVE DEMOCRATS NOW.

The White Doves' Association is the latest addition to the Democratic fold.

Articles of incorporation for the new organization were approved by Supreme Court Justice Gerard to-day. According to the petition presented to the Court, the purpose of the White Dove Association is to disseminate Democratic principles, secure the nomination of honest and capable Democratic officers and cultivate among its members a healthy social spirit.

ACTIVE SECURITIES.

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